

## INSTRUCTION

### Emergency Drills and Planning

#### A. Generally

The superintendent is assigned the responsibility of developing a program for school emergencies and to coordinate its various aspects.

#### B. Fire Drills

Each school is to conduct fire drills in accordance with the Code of Virginia (COV). Specific instructions shall be formulated so that every person in the building knows how to evacuate the building by the most expedient route.

#### C. Bus Drills

Every student riding a bus and the drivers of buses shall participate in emergency evacuation bus drills in accordance with the Code of Virginia.

### Editor's Note

See also division regulation #R6-9.

**Legal Reference:** Through June 30, 1999

**Code of Va., §22.1-137. Fire drills.** (1993)

**Code of Va., §22.1-184. School bus emergency drills.**  
(1980)

**Regulations of the Virginia Board of Education, "Standards for Accrediting Public Schools in Virginia."** 8VAC 20-131-260 "...2. The school administration shall conduct fire drills at least once a week during the first month of school and at least once a month for the remainder of the school term. Evacuation routes for students shall be posted in each room." (Adopted September 4, 1997, effective October 31, 1997.)

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